

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 38

RESOLUTION CHAPTER 110

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 38—Relative to the Francis B. Mathews Memorial Rest Area.

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LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

SCR 38, Johannessen. Francis B. Mathews Memorial Rest Area.

This measure would designate a specified roadside rest area on State Highway Route 299 in Trinity County, between the communities of Salyer and Hawkins Bar, as the Francis B. Mathews Memorial Rest Area.

This measure also would direct the Department of Transportation to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers, consistent with signing requirements for the state highway system, showing that special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering the cost, to erect these plaques and markers.

WHEREAS, Francis B. Mathews was a well respected attorney and community leader in Trinity and Humboldt Counties for over 50 years, and also was a real estate developer, logger, builder, fishing boat and marina owner; and

WHEREAS, Although Francis B. Mathews was known largely for his representation of timber, logging, and sawmill companies, his pro bono services and dedication to the citizens of Trinity and Humboldt Counties and the Hoopa and Yurok Indian tribes were well known throughout the region; and

WHEREAS, Francis B. Mathews' reputation for integrity and his dedication to community endeavors were unsurpassed; and

WHEREAS, An Eagle Scout in the Boy Scouts of America, Francis B. Mathews sat on the scout council and was an active fundraiser and contributor to the scouting programs in Trinity and Humboldt Counties; and

WHEREAS, Francis B. Mathews was also dedicated to his country, having served in the Army Air Corps during World War II; and

WHEREAS, Francis B. Mathews was instrumental in the founding of Trinity Village at Hawkins Bar in Trinity County, a large planned community built upon reclaimed land; and

WHEREAS, Francis B. Mathews was a naturalist and lifetime birdwatcher who donated his entire bird book collection of over 3,000 books to California State University, Humboldt; and

WHEREAS, There is an unnamed roadside rest area on Highway 299 in Trinity County, near Trinity Village, that would be a fitting memorial to Francis B. Mathews; now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the Senate of the State of California, the Assembly thereof concurring, That the unnamed rest area on Highway 299 in Trinity County, which is approximately midway between the communities of Hawkins Bar and Salyer, be redesignated the Francis B. Mathews Memorial Rest Area; and be it further

Resolved, That the Department of Transportation is requested to determine the cost of appropriate plaques and markers, consistent with signing requirements for the state highway system, showing the special designation and, upon receiving donations from nonstate sources covering that cost, to erect those plaques and markers; and be it further

Resolved, That the Secretary of the Senate transmit a copy of this resolution to the Director of Transportation.

